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The Power of Three Laws

Each Contrary to the Other

BY JOHN C. JERNIGAN

Text, Rom. 8:2, 3, "For the LAW of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the LAW of sin and death. For what the LAW could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sent his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh."

Introduction

The word LAW is found many times in the Bible and has various applications. It means, or rather refers to a binding custom or rule under which anything might be controlled. LAW is a kind of compelling power or force which is designed to govern.

The word is three times used in our text, each time referring to separate powers, 1st, THE LAW OF THE SPIRIT OF LIFE refers to the saving and cleansing power of the blood and grace of Christ. 2nd, THE LAW OF SIN AND DEATH refers to the power of that inbred carnality which overpowers the will of man and leads him to where he would not like to go, and to do that which he would not like to do. FOR WHAT THE LAW COULD NOT DO IN THAT IT WAS WEAK refers to the weakness of the LAW OF MOSES in its effort to perfect and bring salvation to Israel.

Explanation

Paul, the writer of the text, well understood the power of each of the three laws from personal experience. For many years he had lived as a Pharisee worshiping under the law, and during all this time he was subject to the power of the LAW OF SIN AND DEATH, but finally sought and found Christ with His saving grace and freely testified of His new discovery which set him free from the law of sin.

Having now the three laws before us for consideration we will consider them separately, dealing with their powers over that which they are designed to have control.

The Law of Sin

Paul once lived under this law as he freely admits in the seventh chapter of Romans, in which he states that when he would do good evil was always present with him, and that which he would like to do he was not allowed to do because he was carnally sold under sin, yet he confesses that "it is not I that do it but sin that dwelleth in me," thus showing the power of the law of sin over man.

Before conversion Paul was possessed with that same sinful nature that men are possessed with today and he found it very diffi-

cult to bring himself under subjection to the things that he really knew to be right. When compelled by that inward law of sin to do that which he did not want to do, that desire in his honest heart to live obedient to God and the law threw him into a very miserable, wretched state of living. Like many professors of our times, he only had enough religion to make him miserable. His mind and life was carnal and tho possessed with religious inclinations he found that which he was trusting in did not suffice, and his will power was not strong enough to overcome the law of sin which held him under subjection. In Rom. 6:12 he advises, "Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof," as much as to say, If sin reigns within your mortal body you will obey its lusts. But in the 14th verse he shows the contrast. "For sin shall not have dominion over you, for ye are not under the law but under grace," thus showing when one comes under the law of grace they are delivered from the law of sin and are not subject to its lust.

Changing from the state of six to the state of righteousness is like one changing from one state of the U. S. A. to another—you are subject to the laws of the state in which you are; if in Florida you live under the Florida laws, if in Ohio you live under Ohio laws. So it is when under the dominion of the law of sin, you are compelled by its forceful powers to obey its lusts and evil sugges-

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Notices

We would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of Cynthia Dobney, Bertha Cunningham, Bill Frith, Esther Vaugh, and Gladys Bazel.—Evelyn R. Spain, clerk, 311 Cleveland St., Nashville, Tenn.

Mrs. W. B. Bell is no longer clerk of the Church of God at Valdosta, Ga., having been succeeded by J. Harold Swan.—Mrs. W. B. Bell, Valdosta, Ga.

We would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of Miss Grace Grey. If not heard from before next conference your name will be dropped from the Church of God at Downs, Sandersville, Ga., Rt. 1.—R. B. English, clerk.

To whom it may concern: My address has been changed from 701 Smith St., High Point, N. C., to 422 Mangum Ave., High Point, N. C.—Faithfully, Eugene M. Bryant.

The Calhoun Church of God district meeting will convene at Calhoun, Ga., April 5-7. We expect a feast with the Lord. Everybody welcome.—C. H. Prince, pastor.

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As pastor of the Church of God at Washington, D. C., I have been informed that there is a number of Church of God members and friends living here, who do not know where to locate the Church of God. I am using this means to try to reach them. I am asking the co-operation of pastors and laity in general. If you know of any members or friends residing here, please inform them of the location of the church, or send me their name and address and I will do my best to locate them. We have a nice church building in which to worship, only one block from the street car line. We have been pastoring the work here since the Assembly. We have a number of loyal members, who are standing for the Church of God, and there are others, who are expecting to come in in the near future. Pray that God will give us many souls here in the Capital City. I would be glad for your co-operation at once. My address and the church address are the same.-Yours for the advancement of The Church of

God, pastor, Henry C. Stoppe, 613 Ala. Ave., S. E., Washington, D. C.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NORTH CAROLINA

1st. Fifth Sunday in March, the day to raise state meeting expense.

2nd. Pastors of local churches, have your regular quarterly conferences at most convenient time during the first week in April (of course in harmony with your district overseer).

3rd. First Saturday in April be known as church and church yard cleaning up day. This will include repairs, thus leaving all church property in good shape.

4th. First Sunday in April to be known and observed as Sunday School day. Have special prayers for wisdom for the pastor in making appointments of officers and teachers, and re-arranging his Sunday School, and as well as speeches on the importance of Sunday School. Also, during this day the churches will observe communion and feet washing (possibly during the evening service).

5th. A special state-wide drive throughout the month of April, for the Evangel, our church paper. This special drive will come to a close on the last Sunday in April. The pastor of each local church will have this in charge (or appoint some one as he may chocse.) We are mailing the editor a list of our pastors to whom he may send subscription blanks. A careful record of this is to be kept and carried to our state meeting where the entire results of this drive will be turned over to the editor in person. Rewards will be given as follows: To the individual securing the most subscriptions, to the pastor whose church secures the most, also to the district overseer whose district has the lead.

6th. The first Sunday in May, special prayer day for our state meeting.

7th. N. Carolina state convention will convene in the city of Charlotte, in the City Armory Auditorium, May 9-12, D. V.—John L. Stephens.

I would like to get in touch with Sister Bethany and Sister McDonald. We want them to hold some revivals at once in northwest Alabama. I would like for them to write me at once.—C. E. Berryhill, Counce, Tenn.

To whom it may concern: Brother Ray Galloway has come into the Church of God at Graysville, Tenn., and is in good standing.—Fred Varnes, clerk; Joe L. Porter, pastor.

The Huntington district convention will convene at Garrison, W. Va., March 29-31. All pastors are requested to leave off their other services and see that your church is represented with a good delegation. Let's do our best to make this convention a success. Pray that the Lord will bless our efforts and that the Holy Ghost will lead each service. All preachers of other districts have a special invitation to attend. We especially insist that all Y. P. E. and Sunday School officials and teachers be sure to attend.—W. V. Cable, district overseer, Huntington, W. Va.

If any one would like to send in money to Brother Clark for an order of good Church of God tracts and have them sent to us surely could put them in a fine place as we now have two broadcasts each week and could announce on the air that those who wanted them could write in and we would send them. However, we cannot buy the tracts at this time and pay the expense of broadcasting. We will also begin street work in the next few days, just as soon as it is warm enough. If any one feels like sending the tracts, send your money and order to Brother Clark, or the Church of God Publishing House, Montgomery Ave. Cleveland, Tenn.-J. R. Thomas.

The Ft. Worth district convention will convene at Ft. Worth, Tex., April 12-14, with Brother R. P. Johnson in charge. We extend a cordial invitation to all ministers and members of the Church of God to come and be with us. We are looking for a great time so don't disappoint us. Come and help us enjoy the feast.—H. N. Bridges, district pastor.

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To the members of the Y. P. E. and every one interested in Y. P. E: There will be a d'strict convention of the Y. P. E. at Blacksburg church, March 24, beginning at eleven o'clock. I ask that every Y. P. E. member in this district be (Continued on page 9)

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EVANGEL DRIVE

During the entire month of March we are having an Evangel birthday rally, during which time subscribers may renew or enter yearly subscription at a rate of \$1.00 for each single subscription.

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VALUABLE CHART

This chart was designed by the late F. J. Lee, former General Overseer, forming a prophetic scale from Genesis to Revelation, size 22x120 inches, on heavy paper; can be rolled up. Formerly sold at \$5.00, now placed on special sale at the remarkable low price of \$2.50 each. Avail yourself of this opportunity. Order of The Church of God Publishing House.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LITERATURE

Remember that Sunday School literature orders should soon be in the mails or at least in the office here, as the second quarter is always very large, requiring more time for preparation, etc. Order your Sunday School literature at once, make liberal allowance for increase of classes due to favorable weather, Easter programs, etc. Send cash with order.

-0-STUDENTS' WAR STRIKE

The (A. P.) under date of Feb. 28, reports a nation-wide strike lasting for one hour by students who are opposed to war and fascism set for April 12th. It is said that spokesmen for the Columbia University's antiwar committee who announced the call expects at least 100,000 college students

and 20,000 high school pupils to participate, representing nearly 100 institutions with presidents and deans leading the protesters at some colleges. This is but another of those foreign plots of communistic propaganda designed weaken America's fighting to strength in the event another war might some time be necessary. If these foreign propagandists can confuse America's fighting strength, then they will force revoby means of organized lution arms

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BISHOP SAYS COMMUNISM IS PAGANISM

The Right Rev. James M. Maxon, bishop-coradjutor of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese in Tennessee, warned his audience in an address at St. Luke's Episcopal church. that communism is spreading insidiously, like a disease, all over the world. He further declared that all forces of Christianity should stand in battle array against this archenemy of freedom and religion. The bishop also declared "that communism is but paganism carved in a new fashion which denies man the privilege of worship, prayer, meditation or spiritual ideas." "Communists make sacrifices to push their cause, but many church members, not realizing the danger of communism, make no effort to push the cause of the church, leaving an unopposed path for communism's progress." Bishop Maxon also declared that no force but Truth and Light is needed to overcome communism.

COMPULSORY SUNDAY SCHOOLS ARE ASKED

James C. B. Beatty, twice candidate for Governor of Ohio, has directed the following telegram to President Franklin D. Roosevelt:

"Write federal statutes that every American child between age of six and sixteen, must attend Sunday School or some religious service of their parents or guardian's choice, and you will do more to perpetutate American traditions and our government and nation than anyone that ever lived on American soil.

"In my judgment, this alone will fortify against communism and Bolshevism, and intrigue of any other 'ism that is against our government and nation."—Chicago Herald-Examiner.

—0— FOREIGN INTRUDERS

Gerald B. Winrod when sailing for Europe Dec. 21st stated that, "Foreigners are rapidly gaining control of New York City. The result is that breeding places for crime and nesting places for vipers have been established throughout the locality. East Side of New York is conceded to be the most wicked spot in the United States. This section of the city is entirely Jewish. It is known to harbor ail kinds of plotters who are determined to overthrow the American government. Reports from what appears to be dependable sources affirm that Leon Trotsky is living in New York at the present time, directing his program of world revolution from new headquarters recently established there." Dr.

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Winrod further states that he and Rev. George Blomgren were standing on deck of the ship in New York on the evening of Dec. 21st while hundreds of people were bidding farewell to friends on the departing vessel. There were two young men who were particularly noisy and boisterous. One was a Jew, the other a Negro, each about 20 years old. They seemed to have a large number of friends on the wharf below. "Presently a thousand throats began singing the 'Third Internationale,' the official hymn, the battle-cry, of international communism. The words of this song are vicious and in the extreme, advocating the destruction of every government in the world. No sooner had the song started below on the wharf than the Jew and the Negro, by my side, began to join heartily in the singing. Looking down I saw hundreds of arms raised and hands clenched, the universal salute of the Reds, as tho they were shaking their fists at God in heaven, both the Jew and the Negro had their arms raised throughout the song. The experience was enough to horrify every Christian and patriot. Both Mr. Blomgren and I wondered, as preachers of the gospel, what to do. No sooner had the crowd become silent than some one below shouted, 'W-I-N-R-O-D! I wondered what it could mean. I was soon able to pick out the face of a preacher. He had heard that we were sailing and had come from New Jersey to wish us "bon voyage." Being a musician he had brought his trumpet with him. Soon its strains were piercing the night air with the official hymn of the Defenders Movement, 'Faith of our Fathers.' The large mob of communists were taken by complete surprise. To our amazement a large number of people, both on the wharf below and on the deck above, knew our familiar song and sang it spontaneously. The volume of music was every bit as strong as that of the Internationale. Never had the old hymn, 'Faith of our Fathers,' sounded as sweetly as it did on that occasion. I discovered that the young Jew and Negro were leaving for Moscow to be trained in the art of communistic agitation in order to come back as organizers for the overthrow of American social order."

Ministers and churches should be praying and working to catch and hold all ground possible before these enemies of Christian civilization. Naturally we are going to be called upon sometimes to demonstrate the faith of God and of our fathers against this satanic imposition.

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RUSSIA STRIKING AT GOD

The duchess of Atholl under date of Oct. 12, 1932, while at a luncheon in New York, made the following statements concerning Russia's five year plan for exterminating religion which was published in the Daily Telegraph Oct. 13, 1932. The plan was issued in the form of decrees from the Council of the People's Commissaries composed of 118 articles which were divided into five patrs, each dealing with a year:

"During the first year, in which we are now, all religious schools are to be closed, and preliminary measures taken for the closing of churches in the capital.

"During the second year, all religious-minded persons are to be expelled from state undertakings and offices. All religious literature will be prohibited and there will be made 150 anti-religious films, to be shown throughout the Soviet Union, principally in the schools.

"The third year will be devoted to the 'activization of the godless cells,' and it is proposed to expel from the Soviet Union all clergymen, of whatever religion, who refuse to abandon their clerical orders.

"In the fourth year, all churches, chapels, and synagogues are to be surrendered to the local Soviet in order that they may be used at cinemas, clubs, and other places of 'intelligent pastime.'

"The last year is to be devoted to 'strengthening the gains along the front of the fight against religion.' It is intended by May 1, 1937, not to leave a single house of worship in the territory of the U. S. S. R., and to extinguish in the minds of the people the very notion of God."—Moody Monthly.

The Foreknowlege of God

Or the Purpose of God in Creation

E. C. CLARK, Editor

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Introduction

In our previous article we dealt with the "protithesis" or "purpose" of God and we told you that if our understanding was to be sane and coherent we were dependent upon proper analysis and understanding of three words; i. e., purpose, foreknowledge, and predestination. In this article we purpose to deal with the foreknowledge and predestination of God relative to His creation.

Text: "For whom he did foreknow he also did predestinate to be conformed in the image of His Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren." Rom. 8:29.

The word for "foreknowledge" in the original is "proegno" but primarily from "proginosko" which means: 1. To know beforehand, to be previously acquainted with. Acts. 26:5; 2 Peter 3:17. 2. To determine on beforehand, to foreordain, 1 Peter 1:20. 3. To

foreknow, to appoint, as subjects of future privileges, Rom. 8:29; 11:2. The first and second of these references refer to foreknowledge by means of acquaintance possessed by human beings. third reference, 1 Peter 1:20, is translated in the English as "foreordain" but the original has the same word used for foreknowledge. Thus, to foreknow includes to foreordain, which ordinarily comes by an appointment. Accordingly it is written, "God hath not appointed us unto wrath but to obtain salvation by our Lord Yesus Christ," 1 Thess. 5:9. This foreknowledge of God existed coincident with and formed a part of the "protithesis" or "purpose." v. 28. Things which He set out before Him to accomplish as His purpose were based upon His foreknowledge of those things and His ability to bring about such an accomplishment.

A Redeemer Provided

It was in the foreknowledge of God that He foresaw the possibil-

ity of the fall of the creation, to guard creation therefore. against such conditions and to further assist God in the accomplishment of His purpose, Christ Jesus was foreordained as a medium of salvation, 1 Peter 1:20, and stood as the Lamb of sacrifice slain from the foundation of the world, Rev. 13:8. Accordingly, God hath chosen us in Him before the foundation of the world that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, Eph. 1: 4. Based upon the foreknowledge of God, an election or choosing out from among the fallen creation was made by Him wherein He chose and made all necessary provision by the sacrifice of Christ on the cross. Therefore, God accounted that His works were finished from the foundation of the world, Heb. 4:3.

The completeness of the fore-knowledge of God was such that all necessary provisions were made from the foundation of the world and therefore His works were relatively finished from the beginning. Thru the course of time God has wrought out that which He hath originally planned and prepared for to be accomplished.

Special Class

The foreknowledge of God relative to individuals mentioned in our text, embodied more than foreknowledge alone. It must have included not only acquaintance as w state and condition but approval and acceptance as is evidenced by the present state of the text. To "foreknow" this class to be conformed to the image of God's Son necessarily included provisions, approval and acceptance. That this is the correct view of the text itself is evidenced by Matt. 7:23 where it is written, "Then will I profess to them, I never knew you, depart from me, ye that work iniquity."

The foreknowledge of God in light of these scriptures must be so interpreted as to include approval and acceptance of all righteous persons for the sole reason that they are righteous and that they were so made by acceptance of provisions made for them in the outcalling of the gospel and election of God, Rom, 8:28; Eph. 1:4; Eph. 1:11. All wicked persons are rejected, 1st, because they are workers of iniquity and, 2nd, because they were not approved of and therefore not acceptable. Persons mentioned in our text as

those who are foreknown and created to such high privileges were those whom God foresaw would accept His plan of salvation, believe upon Christ, and be saved. Persons rejected of Him and therefore counted as lost are those whom He foresaw would not obey but were children of disobedience who would continue to walk after the fashion of this world. There is nothing binding in the foreknowledge of God that in any way limits the free moral agency of man.

That God might be impartial in His judgments and that He might be without respect of persons. He simply chose us unto salvation through Christ from the beginning, 2 Thess. 2:13. The means by which He chose us is definitely stated in 1 Peter 1:2 where it is written, "Elect (or chosen ones) according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ." The omniscience as well as foreknowledge of God is particularly in view throughout the whole of the Old and New Testaments, in that Christ Jesus was made unto us wisdom, sanctification and redemption. Ascordingly, God hath declared the end from the beginning, Isa. 46:10. The presence of this foreknowledge was markedly manifested in Jesus Christ who knew from the beginning who believed not, John 6:64. Unto Him it is ascribed in (Heb. 1:10), "Thou Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the works of thine hands."

There is no evidence that God foreknew people or individuals other than those belonging to a certain class. It is written, "Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated." God's love for Jacob was based upon the fact that He foresaw that Jacob would be obedient and faithful and as a result would be saved, and by the measure of the same rule it is written that "Esau have I hated." Esau was rejected for his own iniquity and not that God desires or chooses any one to be evil. By his own disobedience he disqualified himself by selling his birthright and walking contrary to the counsel of his parents in marrying a stranger and un setting up himself to be the head and father of a nation separate from the Israelites. Gen. 28:8.

Predestination

"Those whom he foreknew he also did predestinate." The original is "prooridzo" from "pro" and "horidzo;" "pro" meaning before and "horidzo" to set bounds to, to bound, to restrict, to settle, to appoint definitely. Hence, to limit or mark out beforehand, to ordain beforehand.

Associated with this word is the word "proorao" which means to foresee beforehand, to have vividly present in the mind. It was this presence of mind that assisted God in definitely marking out beforehand. The word "predesti-nate" therefore means to predetermine beforehand. Those who were foreknown and predetermined were those whom God foresaw would accept the calling of the gospel mentioned in the latter clause of Verse 28. This calling by the gospel was a part of God's purpose as is evidenced by 1 Pet. 1: 2; Eph. 1:4; 1 Pet. 1:20; Matt. 13: 35. These words cannot be properly interpreted or construed to mean that God has, by an absolute decree, determined the destiny of any man. To do so would violate His purpose in the preaching of the gospel unto every creature, (Mark 16:15) and the very purpose for which He gave His only begotten Son. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Notice that God so loved the world that He gave His son to be the propitiation for the sins of the whole world, 1 John 1:2. God loved the whole world and made provision for the whole world to be saved. If we conclude that there was anything else than a free moral agency intended, then the Bible would contradict itself. God can-not love the world and give His Son to be the propitiation for the sins of the whole world and at the same time hate Esau personally. Both Jacob and Esau were representative men. They were the heads of nations, Gen. 25:23. Jacob stood for and was representative of a righteous nation and Esau was the head of and stood for a wicked and sinful nation in opposition to the purpose of Israel. Gen. 28:8. What God loved in Jacob was the fact that he foresaw that he would be obedient and live a righteous life. What God hated in Esau

was that He foresaw that he would be disobedient and live a life of wickedness. God is no respecter of persons, this being true He could only choose individuals on the basis of their own standing as He foresaw they would accept or reject His plan. For reference on those things God hates see Psa. 101:3; Prov. 14:17; Hosea 9:15; Heb. 1:9. See for what God actually loved, Heb. 1:8, 9; namely, righteousness.

God did not intend to bind up or limit an individual to a destiny from which He could not free himself if he would accept and conform to the principle of God's plan of salvation. "For God is not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance and live," 2 Peter 3:9. If God had foreordained that certain men should be lost independent of their own conduct, the gift of His own Son to be the propitiation for the sins of the whole world and the command to preach the gospel to every creature, was in itself foolishness. The gospel provided that those who labor and are heavy laden might come unto Jesus and find rest. As it is written, "If any man thirst, let him come unto me and drink." John 7:37. "If any man hunger, let him come unto me and eat, for my flesh is meat indeed and my blood is drink indeed," John 6:55. Again, "Whosoever will, let him come and take of the water of life freely," 22:17. If Esau had been willing to confine himself to a walk of faith and to the principles of the Israelitish nation and to have bowed down to serve his brother, and if his repentance had been wholehearted, he might have shared the blessings of the Israelitish nation whom God foreknew, Rom. 11:2. However, when we speak of Israel as those whom God had foreknown we must confine that foreknowledge in its approval and acceptance to none other than the obedient and faithful ones of that nation. The apostle is careful to tell us that they are not all Israel which are of Israel, neither because they are the seed of Abraham are they children.

"But in Isaac shall thy seed be called." Isaac was the son of promise, therefore the seed of Isaac was the exact equivalent of the seed or faithful followers of Jesus Christ, the Son of promise. They which are the children of

the flesh, they are not the children of God, therefore, they that are in the flesh cannot please God whether Jews or Gentiles. To hold to the opinion that God foreordained or predestinated or chose that other than persons of obedience and faith to God's covenants could be saved and conformed to the image of His own Son, would by insistence of such an opinion have disqualified God from the ability to have rejected Israel in time or state of apostasy, or to have inflicted any punishment or judgments upon them other than for disciplinary purposes and would force the conclusion that He must save them whether they were righteous or not. Salvation was provided only for believers. Jno. 3:16; Mark 16:16.

The Purpose of God

The purpose of God as we have previously shown was the setting out before Him of the entire creation, at which time He chose that creation in Christ, Eph. 1:4; and ordained that in event of a fall they should be called by the gospel through repentance, 1 Peter 1:2; 1 Thess. 2:9; Acts 17:30; also latter clause of verse 28. The creation at that time had done neither

good nor evil; i. e., at the time of God's choice. But seeing the fall He devised a means of salvation that the election or choosing of God might stand as to His purpose, therefore, "salvation comes not of works by the individual, neither from him that willeth nor him that runneth, but of God that showeth mercy." This mercy was first shown and provided for when the creation was chosen in Christ Jesus and when He was, by the foreknowledge of God, slain from the foundation of the world.

In the light of the foregoing treatise "salvation is not of works but of him that calleth, and ye are saved by grace through faith and that not of yourselves. It is the gift of God." Eph. 2:8. But as it is written, "How shall they hear without a preacher, and how can they preach except they be sent?" To accomplish God's purpose in His election that those who believe should be saved, He hath called them by the gospel; first, thru His Son and His death, who secured Old Testament covenants of promise; second, thru His apostles, and by those who have continued His ministries unto the present time.

(To be continued)

Getting Up Time

And Near the Great Going Up Time
BY GARNER J. WILKINS

God has many alarm clocks, intended to arouse the family of earth. At the present time many of the faithful old saints tell us that their ears are open heavenwards; and that they hear an alarm, sounding out from the highest Heaven. It is not the clarion call; but it is that summons to a "getting up" higher in the Spirit, before that clarion trumpet shall announce a "going up" higher in fact. Some are sweetly responding, while others, seemingly, are just turning over on their other side for another little nap. there are others who will not, and cannot, hear God's alarm clock at all. They are dead in sin. And that is a part you and I must perform, in bringing them the message that quickens back to life, where they are able to hear. I say it is now "getting up" time all around.

An Obedient People

We are all agreed that God would have a people especially separated from worldly cares and all self-indulgences. It is also quite apparent to all diligent students of the Holy Word, that He would have them qualified in perfect obedience. Consequently He would be just in committing unto them the very finest of His choice treasures in gifts of faith, power, might and wisdom, pouring into their hearts His tender love, thereby enabling them to fittingly demonstrate His GREATNESS to the family of mankind. And God would parade His redeemed and obedient ones before angels. Even it pleased God to remind old Satan of the piety and integrity of vigorous old Job. He proved the mettle of Job's profession too. Because, to begin with, Job had a profession that

was HIGH. It was higher than his houses: higher than the life of his children; then higher than the criticism of "friends" and last it was higher than a pesty wife. Lord, help poor old Madam Job, and all her latter day converts. However, what we desire to convey to you is: that God wants MEN and WOMEN who will quit lying around in the valley of indecision, and "GET UP" to the mountain of glorious opportunity, for there is so much to be done. The coming of our Christ is so near, and the world lies in the lap of devils. Why don't we, as children of the Most High God, avail ourselves of the opportunity this present time presents to us of 'getting up" high with God, and heralding the latter day message of the RAPTURE of the Church, and the awful judgments of God to be poured out on the world subsequently. All the heroes of Bible times were men that "got up" high, or WENT UP ON THE MOUNTAIN to commune with God. From Enoch to Christ the Word is conspicuous for instances of mountain top experiences.

Enoch walked with God. He walked "high" in the Spirit, and God took him higher. He saw things that were higher too. He saw the Lord coming with ten thousand of His saints.

Abraham Ascending To Sacrifice

Abraham WENT UP to the peak of the mountain, built an altar, calling it "Jehovah-jireh, or God will see." God did see, and Abraham's act of faith and obedience secured for him the divine favor of Heaven on his life forever, because in his heart he pleased God. Obeying and believing, he WENT UP.

Noah Builds Upward

Noah built an Ark, and he built it UPWARD three stories. We think he occupied the HIGHER apartment with the one window above. Then when the flood came, he just WENT UP. Also, remember that this same old structure (built off the ground), landed safely, finally, on a very high old mountain known as 'Ararat' creation. No doubt God smelled a sweet savour from Noah's burnt offering, ascending from the top of one of these lofty hills. And God was satisfied with the man who was high.

MOSES UPON SINAI

Moses and the Israelites came to Sinai. God halted them in the vale of the wilderness of Sinai. Then He had them "camped before the mount" but "Moses WENT UP," he went up unto God. "And God called unto him out of the mountain ...," Ex. 19:3, also verse 20, "And the Lord came down upon mount Sinai, on the top of the mount: and the Lord called Moses UP to the top of the mount; and Moses WENT UP." This great man Moses "went up" once again from the plains of Moab unto the mountains of Nebo, to the very top of Pisgah. Praise God for Mount Pisgah! And the Lord showed him all the land of promise. The Word says "his eye was not dim" so the Lord spread a panorama of the entire land from Gilead unto Dan, and Moses viewed the future of his people but. HE must first come UP to the place designated by the Lord. He died here, or as the scholars of Hebrew tell you, he was "kissed away." The next we see Moses in living form, he had crossed the Jordan and did not have to walk over, but went in on the air line, and lighted on the very highest peak in Palestine, there viewing the Lord in His transfiguration on this mount Hermon. He was privileged to commune with Him. (What an honor!) But Moses the servant of the Lord meekly "went up" to Sinai many years before this, to get more fully acquainted with his God. I'm sure there must have been many stumbles and perhaps falling and cutting the flesh of this old warrior of Israel, while ascending the rugged sides of this old barren mountain. But the Lord called Moses UP, and UP, he went. Praise God! Doubtless, his fleshly bruises could not be compared with the GLORY revealed to him at the summit. No, the glory so far excelled his physical labors and any injuries he may have sustained going up. The glory! glory! glory! How we do need to climb up to the summit of spiritual life, and find that incomparable GLORY for our souls that puts a tingle in our soul and a radiant shine on our face. Lord deliver me from the valley. I delight to get up out of the suffocating heat and dust of the plains, to the top of the mountains, up where cooling breezes of glory fan our tired soul. Tho the sun shines there, underneath a cloudless sky, it is

sunshine that does not scorch, but rather warms and thaws our cold reserve of selfishness. We may be cool and warm at the same time, for there are no seasons; in the winter it is summer, and it is springtime all the time. Hallelujah! this is BEULAH. There are high hills and mountains in Beulah land. Palestine is a land of hills; Egypt is a land of one great valley.

David the Shepherd

David knew God, believed in his Lord, because somewhere out on the hillsides of the range of the sheep of Jesse, he had occasion to draw near to God, and to behold His mighty works. The shepherd boy of the Judean country, no doubt, found a living reality in the God of Israel among the hills, while watching the sheep. Out there he also sang the everlasting praises of the Shepherd of his soul saying: "...the cattle upon a thousand hills.." they are all my Lord's. Many times in his later life as King of Israel, loaded with heavy responsibilities and many troublesome cares, we think he must have longed in his soul for the peaceful solace of the hills alone with God. In the midst of a vexing ordeal as judge of the people's matters, we imagine this pitious cry was wrung from the lips of the former young shepherd who had once lived among the hills, watching the sheep and worshiping God in psalm: "I will lift up mine eyes unto the HILLS, from whence cometh my help." Psalm

Still Winding Upward

Someone will immediately say, But Jesus is the Lily of the Valley. True, but He is finally the BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR. On the hilltops and mountains, the stars are clearer to our natural vision; much more this beautiful Morning Star. Get up where you can see it always. Don't let a hill impair your view of this lovely Star. Go up to the top of the hill.

The world with its economic distress needs to be translated to the KINGDOM OF HILLS, God's spiritual mountains. And as children of this Kingdom, we need to seek the very highest peak, there to attain that perfect state of communion with God. Then, and only then, will we be able to convince the world of the beauty of our profession and the blessedness of

HOLINESS. Many hungry souls today are asking: "Church member, minister, what have you to offer me? I am weary with the ways of iniquity. I, too, believe that the world is headed fast for disaster, and I would like to make my PRE-PARATION; what can I do?" Will we answer: I'm sorry but there's a LEANNESS in me, and my skin cleaves to my bone? Or will we climb (best to run now) to the higher heights and get God's message to this poor sin-soaked world, confirmed by the acts of the mighty Holy Ghost?

I believe in a GOING UP religion. The world is flying HIGH today, with its AEROPLANES and BALLOONS. STRATOSPHERE Why not the people of God go up on a HIGHER PLANE with Him? up where the noise and bustle and confusion of the inhabitants of the vale below will not prevent one from hearing the "still small voice." Remember God directed Elijah to take a long journey of forty days and forty nights, without stopping to eat. However, He had prepared Elijah for this emergency with the meat of the cooking of the angel of the Lord. But He led him to Horeb the mount of God. Then the Spirit bade him go: "... and stand upon the mount before the Lord." 1 Kings 19:11. And Elijah the prophet heard the "still small voice" of the Lord, because he obeyed the messenger of God and WENT UP to the mount of God

The Climax

We have not come to Sinai nor to Horeb, but we have come to one that is far superior, MOUNT SION. (Heb. 12:18-22.) The part that thrills my soul about this right now, is that if we are awake and conscious of our privileges, we may run swiftly to the top of blessed MOUNT SION and challenge the strongholds of the prince of the power of the air. The devil's little winds and earth-quakes can't move old Mount Sion. Hebrews 12:28 says: "... we receiving a kingdom which cannot BE MOVED, let us have grace..."

"And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the TOP of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills: and all nations shall flow unto it." Isa. 2:2, also Micah 4:1. Thank God for this promise, also, that it is prophesied in Dan. 2:35, that

the STONE which smites the great image should become a great mountain, and FILL the whole earth. Amen.

We have endeavored to present to you concrete evidence by the Word of God, that He has even chosen to get men UP to talk to them. These are literal instances of His separating men and directing them to the top of some mountain, such as Abraham's experience; Moses at Sinai, also at Pisgah; Elijah at Horeb. Then we

must mention that Jesus Himself took Peter, James and John, ... "and bringeth them UP into an HIGH mountain apart, and was transfigured before them." Matt. 17:1-2. These literal occurrences should thoroughly convince us that God wants us to be exalted and elevated to the highest IN THE SPIRIT. I long to be UP to the SUMMIT of divine revelation. And I say it is so near that great "GOING UP TIME" that it surely is "GETTING UP TIME" now. Amen.

Our Responsibility Toward Others

BEULAH BOWDEN

Cain's question, "Am I my brother's keeper"? is abundantly answered in God's Word, which teaches us that we have grave responsibilities toward others.

Parents are held responsible for their children, being commanded to "love" them, to provoke them not to anger, but "bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord" (Titus 2:4; Eph. 6:4; Col. 3:21).

Children are instructed to obey and honor their parents and provide for them in old age (Eph. 6:1, 2; Col. 3:20; I Tim. 5:4; Mark 7: 11-13).

The Scriptures give considerable space to the responsibilities of husband and wife toward each other (Col. 3:18, 19; Eph. 5:22-33; I Peter 3:1, 7.)

Servants are taught that deference and whole-hearted obedience is due their master. Masters are are told to forbear threatening and deal justly with servants (Eph. 6: 5-9; Col. 3:22; 4:1; I Tim. 6:1, 2; Titus 2:9; I Peter 2:18).

Fearful responsibility rests upon ministers and teachers of God's Word. They are bidden to "feed the church of God" (Acts 20:28), not to lord it over God's heritage but be examples; to "preach the Word," "reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine" (I Peter 5:2, 3; Titus 2:7; I Tim. 1:3, 4; 4:12-16; II Tim. 2:2, 14-16, 23-25; 4:2; I Cor. 9:16, 17).

Likewise, the church has a responsibility toward its spiritual advisers, being commanded to supply their temporal needs (1 Cor. 9: 7-14), to obey and pray for them (Heb. 13:7, 17, 18; Rom. 15:30) and "to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake" (I Thess. 5:12, 13).

Toward earthly magistrates there is due from the Christian, honor and obedience (Titus 3:1; 1 Peter 2:13, 14, 17.)

Christ lays upon us responsibility toward enemies: "Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you" (Matt. 5:44; Rom. 12:14, 20).

Our neighbor we are to "please" "for his good to edification" (Rom. 15:2).

Strangers we must "be not forgetful to entertain" (Heb. 13:2; I Tim. 5:10).

Sinners we are to seek to convert (James 5:19, 20); disciples who go astray we are to win back (Gal. 6:1); the feebleminded we are to comfort (I Thess. 5:14); "him that is weak in the faith" we are to "receive", supporting him, bearing his infirmities and putting in his way no stumbling-blocks (Rom. 14:1, 21; 15:1; I Thess. 5:14).

To those of low estate we are to condescend (Rom. 12:16). To the fatherless, the widow, the poor, the hungry, the thirsty, the destitute, the sick, or imprisoned we are to minister (James 1:27; 2:15, 16; Matt. 25:44).

In the midst of a preserve na-

tion we are to shine as lights, and to a lost world we are to carry the Gospel (Phil. 2:15, 16; Mark 16:

We are to "rejoice with them; that do rejoice", "weep with them that weep" (Rom. 12:15), and that weep" (Rom. 12:15), and comfort those who "are in trouble" (II Cor. 1:4), especially those who mourn the loss of loved ones (I Thess. 4:18).

Christians should feel responsibility toward all men. Paul considered himself a debtor to all (Rom. 1:14; I Cor. 9:19-22; 10:32, 33). We are exhorted to strive to live peaceably with all men (Rom. 12: 18), to honor all men (I Peter 2: 17), to pray for all men (I Tim. 2: 1, 2), to be patient toward all men (I Thess. 5:14) and "do good unto all men" (Gal. 6:10).

But "especially unto them who are of the household of faith" (Gal. 6:10)—the "saints." Christ's "brethren" (James 2:15; Matt. 25: 40: I Tim. 5:10)—are we responsible. "Love the brotherhood" (I Peter 2:17).

Christians are to refrain from speaking evil of one another or grudging one another (James 4: 11; 5:9) but are to forbear one another and forgive one another (Col. 3:13). They are to be pitiful and courteous to one another (I Peter 3:8), comfort one another (I Thess. 4:18; 5:11), bear one another's burdens (Gal. 6:2), use hospitality one to another (I Peter 4:9), edify one another (I Thess. 5:11; Rom. 14:19), be subject one to another (I Peter 5:5), in honor preferring one another (Rom. 12: 10), seeking no man his own, but every man another's wealth (I Cor. 10:24). They are to be of one mind, and "be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love" (I Peter 3:8; Rom. 12:10; I Thess. 4:9; I John 3:11).

-Gospel Herald.

SPECIAL

PINELAND, Ga .-- I praise God for salvation. I praise Him for sending Brother Archie Carter and wife from Jacksonville, Fla., here to run a revival. God surely did bless. Twenty-one were saved, eighteen sanctified, seventeen filled with the Holy Ghost and eight baptized in water. A church was set in order with fourteen members. Pray for the work here. Many are looking this way. Brother Carter is a man of God.—A sister in Christ, Ethel Henderson.

The Lower of Chree Laws

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tions, but when delivered from the law of sin and death unto the law of liberty in Christ Jesus one may live obedient to the precious law

The Law of Moses

FOR WHAT THE LAW COULD NOT DO IN THAT IT WAS WEAK. From youth to conversion Paul had lived trying to be obedient to God and the law, but found it too weak to deliver him from the wretched body of sin and death. The writer of Hebrews (10: 4) states that it is not possible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins, yet the priests stood daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifice with no result of inward cleansing from sin. In this manner and mode of worship the people continued, many of them honest-hearted and did the best they could to serve God in righteousness and true holiness, but the law of sin within was so powerful that they soon gave way to its lusts and immediately became slaves again to Satan. In this way of worship and serving, God found no pleasure. The least demands of God concerning His people is holiness. God Himself is holy, He made a holy heaven, created holy angels, inspired the writing of a Holy Bible, and in making choice before the foundation of the world He chose a holy people. When the ancient altars had failed to produce a royal and holy people unto His name, He set about to perfect a plan of redemption whereby man could be perfected in soul, body and spirit and live and serve God all the days of his life in holiness and righteousness.

The Law of Grace

Being bound by the law of sin for many years, vainly seeking relief through the offerings of the law and blood of innocent beasts, Paul wretched and dissatisfied, sought and found the grace of Christ and testifies freely in our text of its all-sufficiency in delivering and making him free from the law of sin and death.

Up to the time of finding and acceptance of His grace Paul had lived a life of condemnation, but being made partaker of His grace he threw off condemnation and began to serve Christ and God in freedom and righteousness. The law of grace is the more powerful of the three laws. It did for Paul what the law of Moses had failed to do in its weakness-it overcame completely and subdued the law of sin in his life, outlawing every evil and giving him power to withstand all the fiery darts of the

Because of the failure in the law God gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish under the curse of the law of sin, but that through the law of grace might have eternal life. There is, therefore, now no just cause why one should live in bondage to sin as some desire to teach and do, and their only reason for so doing is due to the absence of His grace in their lives.

NOTICES

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present if possible. 1 urge every pastor to see that your young people attend, and all those who can bring your stringed instruments. Have all your good singers to attend. Come expecting a good time with the Lord. Everybody is invited to come and bring a good basket as dinner will be served on the ground .- C. F. Grant, State Supt. of Y. P. E.

We are going to have a home coming at St. Matthews Church of God the fourth Sunday in May. We want to have a great feast with the Lord that day. There will be dinner on the ground. We will have all-day service. Come one and all. Bring a well-filled basket and let's go over the top for Jesus. We want Bridgeford, Hazlehurst. Moores Chapel, Baxley, Odum, Pine Grove, Oakdale, Hillside, and all who will to come.-Hoping to see many dear friends in Jesus that day, I am the pastor, W. E. Webber.

To the Y. P. E. in North Carolina: My address is changed from Barnardsville, N. C., to Box 143, Belmont, N. C.—Max L. Atkins. State Supt. of Y. P. E.

Conference will be held at the Edgehill Church of God March 10, 1935, in the afternoon. Please every member come if possible, as there are matters of importance to be handled. Also, we want every member who has not attended service in the last thirty days to please write a letter as to your spiritual condition at present. I am sure some will not see this but if you do and are a member of this church, please let us hear from you at once.—Your brother, V. E. Hooks, Smith St., Tennille, Ga.; Toom Bridges, clerk.

To the churches and pastors in Oklahoma and Arkansas: I fear there is a growing tendency to ignore and disregard the Church's program, especially the material side. Now I want each pastor to turn to page 48 of their 29th Assembly Minute and read the first item listed under the heading of "Recommendation from Council." From this you will see that the head officials of the Clurch awoke to the fact that the Church's future depends largely on the ability and loyalty of its overseers, therefore, the state overseers in turn will soon or later realize the need of a loyal staff of district overseers and pastors, and those of us who prove ourselves otherwise will soon find ourselves weighed and found wanting. If I am forced to measure up to a certain standard in order to save myself, then it becomes a case of self-defence with me in trying to secure a loyal, progressive staff of district and local pastors. Now turn to pages 145 and 146 of the same Minute referred to, and thoroughly inform yourself on the rulings pertaining to missions. I am expecting each pastor to put these over. The results so far in quite a few places are very discouraging but I am going to suggest this and then find out who made an effort. I want each church and pastor to look forward to March 17 as a special Mission Day. Do your best to catch up with your quota on that day. Then March 31 we will look forward to as Old Ministers' Fund Day.

State mission treasurer for Arkansas is M. C. Luallen, Forrest City, Ark., and state mission treasurer for Oklahoma is A. E. Opsata, Maud, Okla. State mission funds in each state are to be used only in behalf of new work in new fields. Remember that Brother C. E. Tarpley of Forrest City, Ark., is State S. S. Supt., and we have appointed Brother Will Young of Maud , Okla., for S. S. Supt. Oklahoma. We certainly found this part going over in a big way in Arkansas. Every church we visited and all we could hear of had bewith a Sunday come aflame School spirit.

Last but not least by no means is our general indebtedness quota. Our mission treasurers are appointed to supervise this part also as you will see on their report forms. We will be ready very soon to announce the time and place for each of our district conventions. We have also been advised that our state convention will convene Aug. 1-4, therefore our state camp meeting will convene Thursday evening, July 25, closing out with the state convention. We will decide on the location later.-Your brother and servant, S. J. Wood, overseer of Oklahoma and Arkansas.

The Church of God at Pine Grove, Double Springs, Ala., would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of Mary E. Mills and Carl Abbott. If not heard from by our next conference, their names will be dropped from the roll.—J. G. Howell, clerk, Rt. 3, Bx. 31, Double Springs, Ala.

To the churches in Oklahoma and Arkansas: We are glad to say that we have no evil report. Just recently we returned from our second trip of visiting the churches in Arkansas. However, at that, there are a few churches that we have not yet gotten around to but we intend to make it to every place during our district convention work in the State, which will begin immediately.

The work in Arkansas seems to be moving on. We found the Sunday School work going over big, therefore, we are expecting a wonderful convention work there soon. Also in Oklahoma we are looking forward to a greater camp meeting and conventions. We have set five churches in order in Oklahoma since the Assembly, also ordained four bishops, and have another ready for ordination. We have eight newly licensed evangelists. All of these bishops and five of the evangelists are won over from the Tomlinson church, also four of the churches. Every one pray for us. We are sure that the good work has just started. At this writing we are in a revival in Shawnee, Okla., in a free mission. (Continued on page 11)

Notice - FREE SCHOLARSHIP - Offered!

Would you like a free scholarship to the Church of God Bible Training School for a period of six months, which would include room and board, tuition, etc.? It does not include books. We are going to offer any young man or woman or those desiring to avail themselves of this opportunity, a free scholarship if you are willing to work a little. If you will sell 4,000 Evangels at 5c per copy and return us all the money at the end of each month, the Publishing House will pay for above mentioned scholarship. You could get your friends to assist you in the sale of these Evangels in neighboring churches, and within a period of six months you should be able to sell the above number, or your friends could sell while you are in school if you had not reached the goal by the time of the beginning of school. In the event you could not sell 4,000, we will give you cash payment for amount sold at the same rate as would apply to the entire number. If you desire to take advantage of this opportunity, have your district pastor write us a letter of recommendation as to your trustworthiness, etc.—Editor.

The meeting has been running five nights with each one getting better all the time. Eighteen were in the altar last night and nine were saved and two sanctified. The 35x50 foot building is packed.

Brother Moncey, lately from Arkansas, Tennessee and other points, is being used in a most wonderful way in divine healing. We just had word from the pastor at Lindsay this morning that their large building was being jammed each night. There were twenty-five healings last night. Brother Moncey is in charge.

Some of our convention dates are as follows:

March 22-24, Ravia, Okla. Churches: Ravia, Bromide, Ardmore, District pastor, R. S. Collins.

March 29-31, Lawton, Okla. Churches: Lawton, Binger, Snyder, Faxon. District pastor, U. H. Corley.

April 12-14, Ada, Oklahoma. Churches: Ada, Lindsay, Sulphur, Stonewall. District pastor, Wm. Schneidmueller.

April 19-21, Murphy, Oklahoma. Churches: Murphy, Peggs, Tulsa. District pastor, W. T. Dodson. Monday and Tuesday night fol-

Monday and Tuesday night following, April 22-23, will be at Omaha, Ark.; Wednesday and Thursday night following, April 24, 25, at Higden, Ark.

April 26-27, Baldknob, Ark. Churches: Velvet Ridge, Higden, Little Red, Quitman, Newport. District pastor, W. V. Johnson.

May 4-6, Imboden district. Churches: Imboden, Cave City, Jamestown, Evening Shade. District pastor, H. W. Williams. Place for this convention will be named later.

Other Arkansas and Oklahoma convention dates will be an nounced later.—S. J. Wood, overseer of Arkansas and Oklahoma.

This is to announce the Maryland, Delaware and District of Columbia Convention, which will convene at Crisfield, Md., April 4-7 inclusive. The convention will be held in the new church building on Maryland Ave. We are expecting all ministers to be present. We urge the laity to put every effort forth to attend this convention, as I am sure it will prove a blessing to all. We are expecting ministers from other states to be with us. Beds will be provided for all, meals will be free for all min-

isters and workers. S. W. Latimer, our General Overseer, will be present.—F. B. Marine, Overseer of Md., Del., and D. C.

In last week's Evangel I had a notice of the Orlando district convention which will convene March 15-17, but I failed to state where it would be. It will convene at Sanford, Fla.—J. A. Self, 13 S. Parramore St., Orlando, Fla.

This is to notify all churches and pastors of North Carolina that Brother N. N. Perkins is a member of the Church of God and an able minister with about twenty years' experience in the ministry. He expects to engage in evangelistic work. If you need a revival you will not make a mistake in securing him. His address is Sanford, N. C.—Ralph W. Tedder, pastor of the Church of God at Sanford, N. C.

A wonderful revival is in progress at Knoxville, Tenn. Sister Lettie Cross is doing the preaching.

REQUESTS

Pray for me as I have a hurting and drawing in my legs. I can hardly walk and they hurt me continually day and night.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. L. Lanier, Jesup, Ga.

Dear saints, we have struggled against high rent a long time and now we are planning to build a church near Jenkinsjones, W. Va. Please pray that God will make a way for us and that our work will continue until Jesus returns for us.—A brother in Christ, Alton McNiel, Anawalt, W. Va.

Pleave pray earnestly for the healing of my body as I am in a critical condition. I wish the Lord to get all the glory and that sinners might see God's power manifested in this affliction.—A child of God, Mrs. Etta McMickle, Colt, Ark.

Please pray for me that God will help me to be faithful. I am the only one in my family who knows the Lord. Pray that my loved ones will see the light on holiness and be saved.—One who needs prayer, Fair Mount, Ga.

Dear saints, pray for me that I might be healed of cancer. I feel at times that God is going to heal me. I earnestly desire your prayers.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. W. B. Davis.

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BLESSINGS SURPASS HARD-SHIPS

Dear reader:

I thank God, because while saving others, He saved me. I feel the victory in my soul right now. I thank God for making a way for me to be in Bible School, it is such a wonderful place. While we study and prepare for the services of the Lord, we receive such wonderful soul blessings. My soul is rejoicing just now.

I went to the Assembly this past fall, not knowing that I would get to go to Bible School, although I have had an earnest desire to attend this wonderful school for ten years. While at the Assembly I spent much time in prayer to this end. God wonderfully provided the way. We have some hardships, but the blessings we receive surpass them all. I can imagine how the Psalmist David felt when he said, "The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want," Psa. 23:1.

I earnestly desire the prayers of each one who reads this, that I will acquire the knowledge while here in school that I will need in the work of the Lord, and that I will stay where the Lord can use me.—Sincerely your brother in the Master's service, C. E. Swenson.

DIVINE LIGHT

Today my heart heralds ceaseless praise to the immaculate Son of God. Oh, the memorable day when God in His benevolence scanned the chaos of the time and saw the necessity pending. In imaginary thoughts we visualize the picturesque scene when God stood above but was in creation. "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth," Gen. 1:1. We hear the declaration, and God said, "Let there be light, and there was light." Then and there the veil uplifted, God had removed the covering of darkness. Thus as He has given light to darkness and light to the earth, He has given light to the souls of men. Light is the first recognition to divine days.

Today, ye men of darkness, God has favored humanity with a special treat. What do you say? John 8:12 distinctly reveals it. "Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world, he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." We owe all reverence to the Supreme for the glorious light of His Word which came thus: John 3:16. The dying soul of humanity was enwrapped in a blanket of priceless love. Oh, thank God for this enwrapping. For by God's love a ray of this light has penetrated into my life causing a glory to dawn which denoted a new day for my soul. Thank the Lord! In the radiance of this light the most degraded soul can be an example or messenger of this light, having been transfigured.

Come on, sinners, and make an appointment with the altar. Unfold your concealments. Make confession a pillar upon which you kneel. Swing ajar your heart's door, God's love and light is on the threshold waiting to make a decistinction between light and darkness to that soul you are holding in bondage.

Greetings, all you Mississippians and many friends everywhere. May I hold a place of remembrance in your prayers always that I might do God's will and prove a blessing to mankind for God.—Sincerely a sister in Christ, Mava Jean Morgan, Morgantown, Miss.

WHAT THINK YE OF CHRIST

B. T. S.—I am taking this opportunity to express my appreciation of Bible School. It has been a great help to me, beyond all my ability to put into words. All I can say is that it has been the nearest place to heaven that I have ever been. By the help of our Lord I mean to do my best for His cause.

I am also sending an expression of thought which is, to my way or thinking, very much emphasized here in school. There is a question attached to the work here that seems to run thru all the school. The answer to this question is to be found in the way we conduct ourselves after we leave here to return to our homes or to various fields as the case may be. The question is, What think ye of Christ? This is also asked in Matt. 22:42.

Now this is a searching question, probing beneath the surface to the very heart of the religion men profess, determining whether it is found or not. This question looks not to outward appearance as of utmost importance in religion, not in the first place what people do or what emotions they experience, but to what they believe and think concerning Christ, His person and His work.

Too, this is a challenging inquiry, demanding a definite answer, a positive declaration to to the position men take in the cause of Christ and His work here in this present world. Do they reject Christ by replying with the Pharisees, Christ is David's son, 2 great, good man, but only a man? or do they reject Him by their carelessness and indifference to the reproach they might bring upon Him and His cause? or do they accept Him as He has revealed Himself by declaring with Peter, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God?" Matt. 16: 16. Jesus says, "He that is not

with me is against me," Matt. 12:

This is also life's greatest question since our answer decides our eternal welfare. With Jesus, only a man-be he teacher or exampler, the great problem still remains unsolved as to how to get rid of sins, how to acquire a perfect righteousness before God, how to be freed from despair and eternal condemnation. But with Christ as our God and Redeemer we have thru His merits the righteousness of God, thru His blood atonement for all our sins we are reconciled with God and have the sure and abiding hope of an inheritance in heaven. "Neither is there salvation in any other," Acts 4:12. Christ is the true God and eternal life, the Lord, our Righteousness, 1 John 5:20; Jer. 23:6.

The blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, cleaneth us from all sin, 1 John 1:7. God made Christ to be sin for us that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him, 2 Cor. 5:21. And all who reject Him, either in word or deed, reject Jesus as their Savior, deny the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruc-

tion.

Dear friends, let's each be careful that we truly uphold the standard of our Christ and show in our lives the reality of Him who died for us that we might have eternal life. Let's not abuse the privilege granted us .- A friend and B. T. S. student, Frederice Madison, Box 465, Sheridan, Wyo.

REQUESTS

(Continued from page 11)

Please pray for my mother who is trusting the Lord entirely for healing. She is in a bad condition. Also pray for me. I have had an attack of appendicitis and at present am suffering greatly. I have trusted the Lord for a good many years and believe right now that He will heal me.-Your co-worker, Edna L. Elliott, Danville, Ohio.

Dear saints, I am asking that you please join me in prayer, that I might be drawn closer to God. I have lived for Jesus nine years and always attended the dear old Church of God at Whiteside, Tenn., and took my three little boys to Sunday School but since moving here I have a long, hard fight against the powers of darkness. Pray that I might still be an

overcomer. I long to be where I can attend service once more. Pray that God will remove every hindering cause and give me victory. It is my desire to live for Jesus and bring my little children up in the way my dear Lord would have me. The Church of God has never been preached here. May God send a Holy Ghost filled servant to this place.-One who loves Jesus, Henry Sims, Stevenson, Ala.

My son for whom I requested prayer that he might be healed of bone cataract, is much better. Please continue to pray for his complete healing.—Mrs. Chas. Morgan, Biltmore, N. C.

Please pray for me that God will make a way for me to be in services. Pray for my companion. Hold us up to the throne of grace till victory comes.-Your sister in Jesus, Mrs. A. L. Free, Grenada,

Dear readers, pray that I will soon receive the blessed Holy Ghost.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Bessie Lewis, 143 Park Ave., Lake Wales, Fla.

Pray for us here in Corpus Christi, Tex., as we are few in number and need prayer. We are praying for some one to hear the Macedonian call and come and help us. We organized a young people's meeting the 17th with eight members.—A sister Christ, Mrs. M. B. Schrodes.

Please pray a special prayer for me. I have four unspoken requests. God knows all about our struggles. Pray for my husband that God will undertake for him .-Your sister, Mrs. W. A. Coster, Blacksburg, S. C.

Dear saints, pray for my little girl. She has had typhoid fever. Pray for the Lord to strengthen our faith and heal our girl.-Your sister in Christ, Mrs. India Smith, Trout, La.

I need prayer that I might have faith. God has promised to supply our needs so I ask prayer that I might have more faith. Pray for my children who have terrible colds. Pray for my little girl to be healed of worms.-A sister, Carrie Williams.

. . . Dear Evangel readers, I have an unspoken request. Pray for God to undertake. He knows about it, Mrs. Zyepher Davis, Troy, Tenn. . . .

Please pray a special prayer for our revival at the Church of God. 1274 E. Third St., Cincinnati, O. Sister Anna Runion is in charge.— Yours in Christ, Wardie Mann, Rt. 5, Lockland, Ohio.

I request prayer for my sister to be healed. Pray for a friend who is sick. Please pray for me for I want to get closer to the Lord .-- A sister, Mary Allen, Bulan, Ky.

Please pray for my wife who is weak in her body. Pray that God will strengthen her body that she may be in God's service for lost souls.—Your brother, Carl J. Hughes, 11501 Kercheual Ave., Detroit, Mich.

Pray for the healing of my eyes and my body. Pray a special prayer for my next-door neighbors to be saved, also my husband.-A sister, Myrtle Bruff, Trumann,

I have a brother in a hospital and he's been there over two years. He's just a young boy, seventeen years old. Please pray for him. Over sixteen doctors have given him up. I know God can heal him. His name is Junior Miles .-

FREE LITERATURE

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Your brother in the Lord, George Miles, 1327 Huron St., Toledo, O.

Dear saints, please pray a special prayer for me. I have had the flu. I am able to be up a little but cough until I can't rest. I don't live close to a church nor any saints. Pray for my children who are sick, also for my unsaved husband.—A sister, Ruby Barnes, Marvell, Ark.

Please pray for me. I have been afflicted with high blood pressure and stomach trouble for sometime. I have backslidden and need the help of the saints. Pray that I will get back to the Lord and live true to Him. Pray that I'll get victory over my affliction.—A friend.

Pray for my sister to be healed. She has had rheumatism about three years. She has salvation.—A sister, Miss Vera Bingham, 8½ Mills St., Greenville, S. C.

Dear saints, please pray for the healing of my body. Pray for the church here.—A sister, Mrs. Hattie Hickey, Rt. 2, Silver Point, Tenn.

Every one please pray that God will heal me and give me the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. J. W. Wilson.

I am requesting prayer for a friend of mine. Her thumb on her right hand has risen and she is suffering very much. Pray that she will be healed. She has salvation.

—Mrs. J. J. Gibbs, Mims, Fla.

Dear saints, please pray a special prayer for my husband. He has a very bad bronchial and stomach trouble and coughs lots. We thank the Lord for salvation.—A sister, Mrs. S. C. White, Farrplay, S. C., Rt. 1.

Please pray a special pray for my son who has T. B. Pray that God will heal his body, convict him of sin and save him. I earnestly ask that you take him on your heart as if he were your own. Pray till your prayers go thru for he Is unsaved. Also pray for my other unsaved children to be saved. Pray for me, that I'll be true.—Your sister, Mrs. Mannie Walker, 124 Ferry St., Augusta, Ga.

I have an unspoken request. I desire a special prayer of every one. Also pray for my children to be saved and my husband to go

on and get the fullness of the blessing. Pray for the church here to be built up and that we might have a revival.—Jessie Merrett, Ferndale, Fla.

I am asking all the saints to join me in prayer for the healing of my daughter. She is thirteen years old and has varicose veins across her back and the doctors and specialists on veins say they can not do her any good. They said it had gone down into her stomach. She is in a serious condition but I believe God can heal her. Pray till we have an answer from God.—A sister, Pearl Coslet, Pittsburg, Kans.

Please pray for a young man who has been crippled for ten years or more. Pray that God will sanctify, fill him with the Holy Ghost and heal him. Pray for our revival.—Mr. and Mrs. Carl J. Hughes, pastor, East Side, Detroit, Mich.

Please pray for my family, also for my brother who is afflicted that he may be healed.—Your sister in Christ, Rhoda, Oliver, Carbon Hill, Ala.

Our pastor is bothered with appendicitis very much so we ask that all saints will earnestly pray for the healing of his body. He is trusting the Lord with his body. Also pray for a little girl who was burned very badly. Pray that I will live true and obey the voice of God at all times.—Your unworthy sister, Carrie Thomas, Goldsboro, N. C., Rt. 2.

A FAITHFUL SOLDIER OF THE CROSS GOES TO REST

It was in the mountains of Tennessee, about seventeen years ago, under the preaching of Brother E. J. Boehmer, that a young man by the name of H. B. Helton became so intensely interested in his soul's salvation that he sought the Lord by prayer and sacrifice until he was saved from his sins, sanctified wholly, and filled with the Holy Ghost. Of course, he became a member of the Church of God. In this newly found salvation he grew more anxious each day tell others of the joys to be had by those who travel the Lord's highway of holiness. In the meantime he was a very zealous student of

the Word of God, and finally he was made to realize that God wanted him as a worker in His vineyard.

In 1918 The Church of God had taken notice to the efforts and to the success of this young man as a minister, and he was given evangelistic authority by The Church. Without any promise of support for his family, other than Phil. 4: 19, he went forth to preach God's Word. So great was his success as a minister that in 1922 he was made a Bishop in The Church of God. He crossed the valleys and climbed the mountains that others might hear of the sweet deliverance he enjoyed so much. Oftentimes with his physical strength almost gone, his energy never waned. His greatest ambition was to see others made happy in the Lord. It was the writer's privilege to be his overseer for two years, during which time he served as overseer of the Bristol, Tenn., district. It is my pleasure to say that a more faithful, loyal, energetic, humble servant of the Lord has never been known by me. In the general indebtedness drive last year, his district was the first in the state to report "over the top."

Those who saw him at the General Assembly in Chattanoga last October could easily tell that something was stealing his vitality. The churches on his district loved him so well and they had prospered so much under his administration, that the newly appointed overseer sent him back to Bristol as district overseer for the third year, trusting that the good Lord would see fit to heal his body. Within a few days after the Assembly he visited, with his overseer (Brother Cross) practically all the churches on his district, after which he took his bed, a victim, of the dreaded disease, T. B. It was my privilege to visit him a number of times during his sickness, and we talked about the trip to paradise and about the friends who had passed over the tide, and especially did he rejoice at the thought of meeting Him who once wore the crown of thorns and then died to sanctify him. He suffered long but prayed in the meantime for the Lord to just let him pass

On the afternoon of Feb. 22, 1935, he passed over the river to rest under the shade of the trees.

At his request a service was conducted at the Bristol church by Brother H. K. Keith on the following day. Then the next day, followed by sorrowing friends, the procession left Bristol for his home church at Pikeville, Tenn. There were gathered many sorrowing friends whose tears were mingled with ours as we paid the last tribute of respect to one so faithful. After the funeral conducted by the writer, with Brother E. J. Boehmer, we started down the beautiful valley where our precious brother had grown to manhood. In the stillness of the twilight, under the sighing pines, amidst many sorrowing friends, we lowered the casket and went away expecting to meet Brother Helton when the trumpet sounds. —T. S. Payne.

DEATH NOTICES

CHILDERS

Brother Everett Childers of Parker Lake, Ky., a member of the Church of God at Smithtown, Ky., died Feb. 10, 1935, at the age of twenty-six years, eleven months and twelve days. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hoby Childers. His testimony was he was trusting the Lord and was ready to go—D. L. Clark.

BOONE

Bettie Gean Boone, only child of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Boone, died Jan. 30, 1935, age about eight months. The funeral was conducted by Brother W. E. Raney and interment made in the Salem cemetery. Saints, please pray for the parents who are in a backslidden condition.—Her aunt, Alma Cashatt, Rt. 1, Leo, S. C.

LEWIS

On Jan. 22, 1935, Mrs. Bettie Lewis died, at the age of sixtythree years. She was saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. She was a member of the Church of God here. Funeral services were conducted by our pastor, Brother John Padgett and Brother Eugene Bryant. Interment was made in Oakwood cemetery. —Her daughter, Myrtle Lewis, 410 S. Hamilton St., High Point, N. C.

SCOGGINS

Mrs. Annie (Pressly) Scoggins, wife of Cecil Scoggins, was born Nov. 6, 1900 and died Feb. 12, 1935. She lived a devoted Christian life for three years and said all was well with her. The funeral was conducted by I. C. Barrett. and interment made in Cedar Hill graveyard near Maryville, Tenn.

McNINCH

Sister Sallie McNinch died Mar. 16, 1934, at the age of forty-three years. She was a faithful member of the Church of God at Wilsoudale, W. Va. Interment was made in the Marcum cemetery.—Enid Wright, clerk.

MARCUM

Little Hermie Louise Marcum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Marcum of Wilsondale, W. Va.. died Feb. 7, 1935. She was about eight months of age. — Enid Wright.

PITTS

Mrs. Susie Pitts was born Oct. 10, 1885, and died Jan. 26, 1935, at the age of forty-nine years, three months, and sixteen days. Please pray for her husband and girls who are unsaved. The funeral service was conducted by Brother W. M. Corns and interment made in the Barrett cemetery, Edgewood, Tex.—Mrs. Annie Bell Ivy, Point, Tex.

RINGLER

Nellie Irene Ringler, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Ringler of White Cloud, Mich., died Dec. 24, 1934, at the age of two and a half years. Arthur Anderson of Everett conducted the funeral.—Her mother, Ida Ringler.

RAMSEY

Sister Annie Ramsey died Feb. 23, 1935. We have great hopes of meeting her again.—Elsie Barnett, clerk, 159 Winn Ave., Winchester, Ky.

LYKENS

Acey Lykens was called to his heavenly home, Jan. 17, 1935. He was a bishop in the Church of God. He was forty-two years, one month, and two days of age. He preached a sweet sermon on Sunday night, giving his testimony of how God saved him, and went home about ten o'clock. At midnight he took sick and Thursday morning passed away. He preached and praised his way out. It was hard to give him up, but

glory to God, I know I shall see him again where there will be no more parting.—His wife, Mrs. Lillie Lykens, Lowell Station, Bisbee, Ariz.

STATE CONVENTIONS

N. LOUISIANA CONVENTION

Dunn, La., March 8-10 R. E. Blackwood, Overseer

S. LOUISIANA CONVENTION Shepherds Fold, La., March 15-17

R. E. Blackwood, Overseer

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SPECIALS

DETROIT, Mich.—Things are really moving ahead here under the wonderful leadership of our precious overseer, Brother D. G. Phillips, and his wife. I praise God for sending us two precious souls to handle the work on the east side of Detroit, Brother and Sister Carl Hughes. God had a hand in their coming to Michigan. On their way up here from Ohio they hit some ice on the road and their car turned over three or four times. The whole left side was torn offfenders, door and all. The top was completely smashed in, yet God surely was with them as there were three of them in the car (a coupe) and they only got two or three slight bruises and Brother Hughes a slight cut on his chin. God is wonderfully working up in Michigan. Everybody seems to be in complete harmony. Pray for us that God will continue

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David imploreth God's aid.

9 Behold, "O God our shield, and look upon the face of thine anointed. 10 For a day in thy courts is better nan a thousand." I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

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3 Be merciful unto me, O Lord: for I cry unto thee 2 daily.
4 Rejoice the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.
5 Forthou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee.
6 Give ear, O LORD, unto my prayer:

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